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SUBJECT: EL SALVADOR: COMPLIANCE WITH CHEMICAL WEAPONS  
CONVENTION

REF: STATE 181985

Poloff delivered reftel points on November 22 to MFA Director of Multilateral Affairs Mario Rivera. On November 28 Rivera replied in detail and reported that:

- El Salvador has established a National Authority in compliance with Article VII of the CWC
- El Salvador presented its national plan to the OPCW this year
- El Salvador has passed penal legislation on the issue.

Rivera did mention, however, that the executive decree to implement the penal legislation is still under review, and currently is being studied by lawyers at the MOD. Post will follow up to ensure that the executive decree is signed and the GOES implements the legislation already passed. Post has electronic copies of the legislation that created the National Authority and the penal legislation, available in Spanish only.  
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